# **Richard Bong State Recreation Area Nature Program Schedule**

Free Fun Weekend—two days of activities with free park admission, no trail fees or fishing licenses needed.

#### Saturday, June 6

- **Naturalist on Horseback.** Bring your horse to discover what's happening on the east end horse trails with Jennifer Lois and Dixie. Meet at the Trailhead. Road ride if wet. 9-10:30am.
- Yellow Trail Hike. Join Carol Samsa to hike the beautiful 4.4 yellow trail. Explore a seldom-visited part of the park. Meet at the Trailhead. 9:30-11:30am.
- **Intro to Mt. Biking**. Bring your bike to Join Amy Andrews Payleitner & Erich Moorman from KORBA on a beginner's trail ride on the 4.4 mile Yellow Trail. Meet at the Trailhead. 11am-12pm.
- **Knee-high Naturalist Reunion**. If you were ever part of the knee-high naturalist program, bring a picnic and join the reunion! Optional one-mile trail hike after the picnic. Please pre-register by calling (262) 878-5601. Meet at Shelter #2. 11:30am.
- Playing with Shakespeare: Get outside with Will—an interactive fun workshop for kids 8+ to explore characters, acting and play to better understand theater & Shakespeare. Meet at the outdoor Amphitheater. In case of bad weather, meet at the Visitor Center. Presented free by the Summit Players. 4-5pm.
- **Midsummer Night's Dream.** A stripped down, six-actor production of one of Shakespeare's funniest plays. Best for ages 8+. Meet at the outdoor Amphitheater. In case of bad weather, meet at the Visitor Center. Presented free by the Summit Players. 6:30-8pm.

## Sunday, June 7

- **Family Nature Faire**. Turn Trash into Treasure at this year's event. Join us for art & nature booths, live animals, raffles & food. Fun free or low cost activities for the whole family. Check the website for a complete list of activities. Meet at Beach Shelter #3. 10am-1pm.
- **Fishing Clinic.** Drop in to fish with Walleye's Unlimited USA. Bring your own equipment or use theirs. Learn angling tips as you fish. Meet at Shelter #2. No licenses needed. 9:30am-2:30pm.

#### Thursday, June 11

- **Knee-high Naturalist**. Bring your 3-5 year old to this hands-on program. This month it's a FISHY DAY! Please call (262) 878-5601 to register or to cancel. Meet at the Visitor Center. 10-11:30am.
- Adopt a Highway. Join us to pick up litter from the highway that runs through the park. You must be at least 12 years old—great way to earn service hours, get fresh air or exercise! Meet at the Visitor Center. 5:30-7pm.

#### Saturday, June13

- **Dragons & Damsels**. Visit their habitats to catch and release dragonflies and damselflies. Discover what makes them so unique and so important. Meet at the Visitor Center. 9-10:30am.
- **Eco-Scavenger Hunt.** Bring the whole family to hunt for nature's hidden surprises. A Family Play Day! Meet at the Amphitheater. 6-7pm.

# Saturday, June 20

- Champion Tree Visit. The park holds one of Wisconsin's largest trees. Visit it and find out which species it is and its unique history. Optional nature journaling opportunity will be included. Meet at the Visitor Center but be prepared to drive. 10-11am.
- Masked Bandits. Discover what makes the raccoon so successful. We'll also hike to look for signs and tracks. Meet at the Visitor Center. 7-8pm.

## Saturday, June 27

- **Butterflies of the Park.** Capture, identify and release some of the park's butterflies. Discover how fascinating our winged neighbors can be. Meet at the Visitor Center. 10-11am.
- Long Skinny Snakes. Drop in between 6 & 7pm to discover how a snake's adaptations help it survive. Learn which snakes are found in the park and in Wisconsin. Meet at the Visitor Center. 6-7:30pm.